

Elizabeth Alice Schofield Austin

1850-1950 Centennial Biography

Elizabeth Alice Schofield Austin, daughter of John and Alice Andrew Schofield, was born March 13, 1877 in Rochdale, Lancashire, England. She was baptized a member of the Latter-day Church by Elder Joseph S. Broadbent of Lehi, Utah in Oldham, England, in 1897. She came to the United States arriving in Salt Lake City, April 6, 1898, during the annual conference. Her mother and a brother Bertrand followed in June 1898.

On May 25, 1898, in the old Union Hotel in Lehi, Utah, she was married to William Austin who was born August 28, 1857, in Studham, England, a son of John and Emma Grace Austin. They moved to British Columbia, Canada, and then shortly after to Republic, Washington, where Mr. Austin was dealing with mining industries.

While at Republic, their first daughter, Fornessia A. Beck was born. Later they returned to Lehi and Minnie A. Krenka was born. Then they moved to Center Creek, Utah where Zella A. Kelsey and Mark W. came to them. They returned to Lehi where the remaining seven children were born. They are: John A., Pearl A. Smith, Newey A., Bolding, Bertrand J., F. Carlisle, and Virginia A. Smith. Furnessia and John have passed on. There are thirty-one grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Austin passed away in November 1921.

Mrs. Austin has made two trips to England, one in 1925, accompanied by her daughter Virginia, and one in 1947-48, accompanied by her granddaughter, Inez B. Ellis.

She enjoys attending the church activities and mingling with her many friends and is loved and respected by all who knew her.

